

May 4, 1967

Mrs. N. O. Gerald, Jr.
1212 Braemar Avenue
Atlanta, Georgia

Dear Mrs. Gerald:

Thank you very much for your letter of April 19, 1967 which was not received until April 27th calling our attention to the fact that several Dogwood trees along DeLowe Drive have died and should be replaced.

We certainly agree with you and I must say that your section of the city was simply gorgeous this Spring when the Dogwoods were in bloom and we would like to do everything possible to maintain this attractive setting.

The Department of Parks has extremely limited funds for the replacement of trees and shrubs. For the entire city, our Budget has appropriated \$2,000 and we have to spread the money quite thin. Normally, garden clubs and private citizens plant Dogwoods and other trees in front of their respective property.

I am asking our Superintendent of Forestry, Mr. Joe A. Lance, along with the Forestry Entomologist, Dr. W. D. Buchanan, to survey DeLowe Drive and determine how many trees would be involved in the replacement program as well as the proper time to plant this variety of trees. One or the other of these gentlemen should be in touch with you in the very near future.

I appreciate your letter and that from Senator W. Armstrong Smith concerning this matter.

Sincerely,

Jack C. Delius
General Manager of
Parks and Recreation

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cc: Senator W. Armstrong Smith
Hon. Ivan Allen, Jr., Mayor
Mr. Joe A. Lance
Dr. W. D. Buchanan